

# TEXARKANA, TEXAS

## PARKS & RECREATION GUIDE | 2023

**DISCOVER THE BEST  
TEXARKANA HAS  
TO OFFER**

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Fun for all ages!

**DIVE INTO GREAT  
PLACES AND SPACES**

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Discover areas to  
explore, attractions, event  
space and more.





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# CENTER | PROGRAM

## HOURS OF OPERATION

### Southwest Center

3222 W. 7th Street, Texarkana, TX  
75501

Monday	8am – 7pm
Tuesday – Friday	8am – 8pm
Saturday	9am – 6pm
Sunday	Closed

### Rotary Splashpad

Spring Lake Park  
4303 N. Park Road, Texarkana, TX  
75503

First Monday in June to last  
Sunday in September  
9am – 7pm

### Collins Senior Center

3000 Texas Blvd., Texarkana, TX  
75503

Monday – Friday	10am – 4pm
Saturday	Closed
Sunday	Closed

### Farmers Market

Sheppard Park  
6th and Olive Street, Texarkana TX  
75501

Last Saturday of April to first Saturday of August	7am – 12pm
Night Market – 3rd Friday of May-July	5pm – 8pm

## Holidays

Offices and centers will be closed.

New Years Day	Jan. 2
Martin Luther King Day	Jan. 16
Good Friday	Apr. 7
Memorial Day	May 29
Juneteenth	June 19

Independence Day	July 4
Labor Day	Sept. 4
Veterans Day	Nov. 10
Thanksgiving Holiday	Nov. 23 & 24
Christmas Holiday	Dec. 22, 25, & 26



# Letter from the Director

**Thank you for visiting Texarkana, Texas Parks and Recreation Department! We are grateful for our community partners, the residents of Texarkana, and those visiting the Texarkana, Texas Parks for the first time.**

**Our team is dedicated to ensuring quality programs and opportunities for park visitors. We will continue to work hard to improve and introduce new and exciting outdoor opportunities, programs in our Southwest Recreation center and Collins Senior Center, and programs such as the Texarkana, Texas Farmers Market.**

**Please take some time to browse through this recreation guide. We hope you enjoy our great parks and facilities!**

**Sincerely,  
Robby Robertson  
Director of Parks and Recreation**



**@texarkanatxparks**



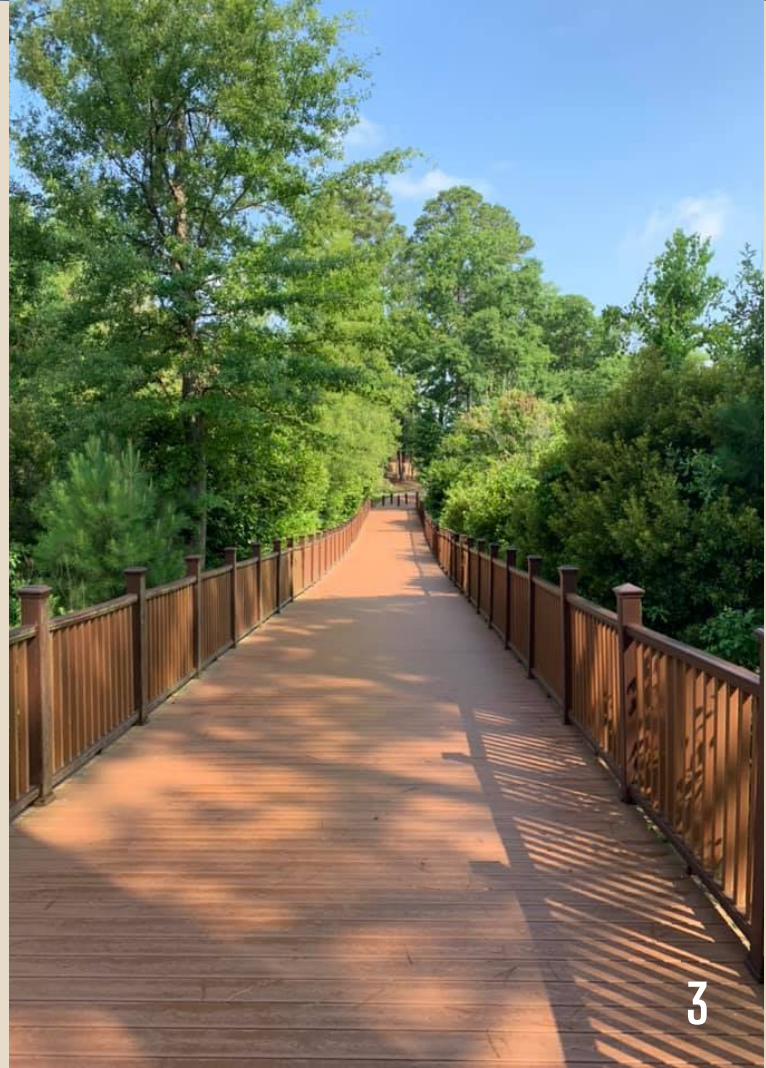
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# PARKS AND TRAILS

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# Bringle Lake Wilderness Park

7602 University Ave., Texarkana, TX 75503



Bringle Lake Wilderness Area is a part of the Bringle Lake Parks. It has approximately 144 acres that have been set aside as a nature area. Local Boy and Girl Scouts developed it primarily as a "Make a Difference Day" project. There is a 10-foot-wide wilderness bike/walk trail that begins at Bringle Lake East and runs to the Waterworks Spillway (approximately 2 miles), phase 2 of the wilderness trail (approximately 3 miles) begins from the spillway and runs along the northwest side of the lake and the Texarkana Golf Ranch. An entry to this section of the trail can also be found on University Ave., close to the Texas A&M-Texarkana main entrance. There is also a single Mountain Bike Trail that begins at Bringle Lake East Park, turning and twisting throughout the wilderness area. Beginner, intermediate and advanced courses are being developed for the cycling enthusiast. No motorized vehicles are allowed in the Wilderness Area and this area is for daylight use only.





# Bringle Lake Park West

6a.m.–10p.m.

**7602 University Ave., Texarkana, TX 75503**

Bringle Lake Park West is located alongside University Drive neighboring the Texas A&M- Texarkana Campus and the Texarkana Golf Ranch. This open 7-acre park could easily become your favorite recreational spot. Try your hand at fishing from one of the two piers or let the kids have fun on the covered playground equipment. Other amenities include an exercise equipment station, sand volleyball courts, and a 1500 sq. ft. outdoor pavilion looking over beautiful Bringle Lake. Bringle Lake West is also the trailhead to the new Bringle Lake Boardwalk that will take you on a tranquil stroll along the lake and into Bringle Lake East Park.

# Bringle Lake Park East

**Dawn–Dusk**



**7500 Bringle Park Road, Texarkana, TX 75503**

Bringle Lake Park East is the newest addition to the Texarkana Parks system and is also adjacent to University Drive. This secluded 8-acre park sits on the east side of Bringle Lake and is a small step into the wilderness with abundantly beautiful trees and natural surroundings. The park features a floating fishing pier for the outdoorsman, playground equipment for kids and 10 single outdoor pavilions for small gatherings. Bringle Lake East is also a trailhead to the new Bringle Lake Boardwalk that will take you on a relaxing walk and into Bringle Lake West Park. This park is for daylight use only.





# Spring Lake Park

6a.m.-10p.m.

**4303 N. Park Road, Texarkana, TX 75503**

Spring Lake Park is the heart and pride of the Texarkana, Texas park system. This 145-acre park features a newly renovated spring-fed lake, open green spaces with picnic areas, playground units, fishing piers, and a 32-hole disc golf course. Three outdoor pavilions are available for social gatherings and events. The 1.75-mile Phillip McDougal Walking/Biking Trail strolls throughout the park and is a favorite spot for the recreational or avid jogger.

Spring Lake Park is also where you will hear the "crack of the bat" at Swanger Sports Complex, home of the Texarkana, Texas Dixie Baseball League, Dobson Field, home of the Texas A&M-Texarkana Eagles Baseball team and Bramlett Field, home of the Texas A&M-Texarkana Eagles Softball team. Spring Lake Park also features The Rotary Splash Pad, where cool, wet fun is a much-needed break on hot summer days, and the Kylee Sullivan-Pet Safe Dog Park, where our canine companions can enjoy the great outdoors in a safe, secure location. The park is also an ideal place to spend a Spring or Fall evening watching Movies in the Park offering new and classic releases each year. Bring your blanket, snacks, and chairs, and settle in for an evening of entertainment. The park is located at 4303 North Park Road, between 40th Street and Interstate 30.





# Grady T. Wallace Park

6a.m.-10p.m.



**3419 Leopard Drive, Texarkana, TX 75501**

**Grady T. Wallace Park is located at 3419 Leopard Drive in the Liberty-Eylau area of Texarkana. This active recreational space covers over 70 acres and offers playground units, a walking/jogging trail around the 5-acre lake, a basketball court, two outdoor pavilions (2400 sq. ft.) for social gatherings, and public restrooms.**

**Five softball fields provide facilities for sanctioned tournaments, and co-ed/ commercial and church league games. Wallace Park also features 12 soccer fields and is the home to the Texarkana United Soccer Association with children and adult leagues in the Spring and Fall and skills camps during the summer months.**





# Bell Park

6a.m.-10p.m.

3208 Lincoln Street,  
Texarkana, TX 75503

Earnest F. Bell Park is located at 3208 Lincoln Avenue, just south of College Drive in the heart of "New Town". This 4-acre neighborhood park features a multi-purpose/basketball court, 4 sets of various playground equipment, picnic tables, public restrooms, and an outdoor pavilion (1200 sq. ft.) for picnics, family gatherings, and community social events.

Beverly Park is centrally located at 2612 New Boston Road between Summerhill and Robinson Roads. This 7-acre neighborhood park is a great place for the lunchtime crowd to escape with a heavily wooded landscape featuring playground equipment and a picnic area.

# Beverly Park

6a.m.-10p.m.

2612 New Boston Road,  
Texarkana, TX 75501

# Ferguson Park

6a.m.-10p.m.

3000 Texas Boulevard,  
Texarkana, TX 75503

Ferguson Park is located at 3000 Texas Boulevard just south of College Drive and adjacent to the Collins Senior Center. This 5-acre neighborhood park is nestled in the beautiful, tree-lined, historic Highland Park area. The park features an active recreation space, picnic area and playground equipment.





# Sheppard Park

6a.m.-10p.m.

500 N. Stateline Ave.,  
Texarkana, TX 75501

Sheppard Park is named after Texarkana native Congressman Morris Sheppard. This park surrounds the west side of the U.S. Federal Post Office/Courthouse on Stateline Avenue. Sheppard Park is the home of the Texarkana Farmers market, two military memorials, and the Centennial Time Capsule that was buried in 1973, and will be unearthed on April 15, 2023. This park and all of the Courthouse Square have recently seen renovations, which include the original bricks of city streets as the walkways.

Findley Park is located at 410 Findley Street just off 59 South. This 5-acre neighborhood park is surrounded by tree-lined areas and features a newly renovated basketball court, an open green space area for recreational use, and playground equipment.

# Findley Park

6a.m.-10p.m.

2612 New Boston Road,  
Texarkana, TX 75501

# Kidtopia & Skatetopia

6a.m.-10p.m.

3000 Texas Boulevard,  
Texarkana, TX 75503

Kidtopia is located in Downtown Texarkana and is across from the Public Library at 201 Oak Street. This community-built, multi-purpose playground was designed by kids for kids! Kidtopia also offers public restrooms and is a favorite destination for play days with local school districts and camps. At Kidtopia, operational hours differ from the Park curfew, and are open for day use only.

Skatetopia is our newest addition to the parks, and is adjacent to Kidtopia in Downtown Texarkana. Built completely from custom concrete and designed by our local skateboarding community, the Texarkana Skate Park is made for users of all skill levels to enjoy. Featuring ledges, stair sets, down rails, and an open bowl section, the park is great for all-wheel use and combines transition and plaza skating cohesively for maximum flow. At Skatetopia, operational hours differ from the Park curfew, and are open for day use only.



# Scott Joplin Park

6a.m.-10p.m.

1621 West Street,  
Texarkana, TX 75501

Scott Joplin Park, named after the great American composer, King of Ragtime, and native son of Texarkana, is a beautiful wooded area and a great place to cool off on a hot summer day. This 7-acre park features play equipment, public restrooms, a pedestrian walking bridge, and an outdoor pavilion (1260 sq. ft.) for picnics, family gatherings, and community social events. The park is located at 1621 West Street, just off State Highway 59 in South Texarkana.

Karrh Park is a 33-acre gem surrounded by wooded areas and a quiet neighborhood. Located at 2102 South Ann Street (just off State Highway 59 South), the park provides a serene picnic area with a small pond for recreational fishing and a (1656 sq. ft.) outdoor pavilion. There are large open spaces for recreational use with playground equipment and public restrooms. Karrh Park also features four softball fields and is the home to the Girls Softball Association where leagues and tournaments are in full swing from March to October.

# Karrh Park

6a.m.-10p.m.

2102 Ann Street,  
Texarkana, TX 75501







# Bringle Wilderness Trail

7602 University Ave., Texarkana, TX 75503

Bringle Lake Wilderness Trail is a moderately trafficked nature trail, measuring approximately 5.5 miles, appropriate for all skill levels. This 10-foot-wide trail is constructed out of a cement/soil mixture that is perfect for biking, walking/jogging, and exploring. The entry point with trailhead information can be found at Bringle Lake East Park. This section of trail runs to the Waterworks Spillway (approximately 2 miles) with several spots to enjoy the scenery of the lake and wildlife.

# Boardwalk Trail

7602 University Ave., Texarkana, TX 75503

The Bringle Lake Boardwalk is an elevated, .25-mile continuous bridge that begins at the Bringle Lake West Park and runs along the lake with beautiful scenery of the entire waterway and wilderness area. The Boardwalk is made with TREX material, and is 11-foot-wide with seating areas to enjoy the great outdoors. The Boardwalk will take you to University Ave., where you can access sidewalks to continue your journey to Bringle Lake East Park.





# Watts Trail

Corner of Galleria Oaks Drive and Summerhill Road

Watts Trail is a 10-foot-wide asphalt pathway that runs adjacent to Galleria Oaks that is perfect for the fitness enthusiasts. This 1.29-mile trail is a straight shot spanning from Robin Lane to Cowhorn Creek Road. There are convenient access points to both the Sister Damian Trail, which is located on the CHRISTUS-St. Michael Medical Campus and the Cowhorn Creek Trail. Watts Trail is appropriate for all ages and pet friendly. Parents with children should be aware of the street traffic when using Watts Trail.

# Cowhorn Creek Trail

Corner of Galleria Oaks Drive and Summerhill Road

Cowhorn Creek Walking/Biking Trail is a 10-foot-wide concrete/asphalt pathway that runs in front of the Texarkana Convention Center and up and over I-30 with easy points of entry to the Sister Damian Trail/CHRISTUS-St. Michael Medical Campus and Watts Trail. There is also a small section of trail that can be accessed from Kennedy Lane that will run adjacent to the road and the creek with convenient entry into the Convention Center property. There is little shade and sections of this pathway are in a highly trafficked area, therefore it is not recommend small children or pets use the trail.





# Sister Damian Walking Trail

5002 Cowhorn Creek Road, Texarkana, TX 75503

This .83-mile multi-surfaced trail encircles a beautiful wooded area within the CHRISTUS- St. Michael Medical Campus. Entry points can be found on Galleria Oaks near Hospice of Texarkana and on Cowhorn Creek. The trail features a small pond, rest areas, and a children's playground along the way. This pathway is pet-friendly and appropriate for all ages.

# Phillip McDougal Trail

4303 N. Park Road, Texarkana, TX 75503

The 1.75-mile Phillip McDougal Trail runs along the perimeter and throughout the entire 145-acre Spring Lake Park. It is a popular spot for the recreational or avid walker/jogger and biker. This 10-foot-wide asphalt trail can be accessed in several spots and trail heads can be found on both the north and south end(s) of the park. The Walk-Through History section of the trail (1/2 Mile) borders the newly refurbished lake and will have multiple information signage boards to discover the interesting past and transformation of Spring Lake Park dating back to 1541 when Hernando DeSoto's expedition camped at the natural spring.





# Walk Through History Trail

4303 N. Park Road, Texarkana, TX 75503

The Walk-Through History trail is a .5-mile section that circles around the newly refurbished lake. The trail features multiple information signage boards with historic pictures to discover the interesting past and transformation of Spring Lake Park dating back to 1541 when Hernando DeSoto's expedition camped at the natural spring.

# Tourist Bureau Trail

1200 I-30, Texarkana, TX 75503

The Texas Tourist Bureau Trail is a .27-mile 10-foot-wide asphalt trail built in 2010. Beautiful, old trees form a canopy over much of the trail, making it a pleasant spot to relax or continue your recreation. The Texas Tourist Bureau Trail parallels the Texas Tourist Bureau fence as it winds around the east and north sides of the Tourist Bureau with a direct connection to the North Park Trail.





# SPORTS, CLASSES AND COMMUNITY CENTERS

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# Sports

Texarkana is home to various opportunities for youth sports. The Texarkana, Texas Parks and Recreation Department and the Texarkana, Arkansas Parks and Recreation Department have a great working relationship that provides for wonderful opportunities for young athletes on both sides of the stateline. The Texarkana, Texas Parks and Recreation Department also works seamlessly with youth sports organizations such as Dixie League Baseball, Texarkana Youth Softball Association, and the Texarkana Soccer Association.



**Texarkana  
Dixie Baseball**



**Texarkana Youth  
Softball Association**



**Texarkana Soccer  
Association**







# Baseball

## Spring Lake Park

T-Ball - 4 to 6 years old

8U - 7 and 8 years old

10U - 9 and 10 years old

12U - 11 and 12 years old

14U - 13 and 14 years old



# Softball

## Karrh Park and Wallace Park

6U - 4 to 6 years old

8U - 7 and 8 years old

10U - 9 and 10 years old

12U - 11 and 12 years old

14U - 13 and 14 years old



# Soccer

## Grady T. Wallace Park

Texarkana United Soccer Association is comprised of three separate leagues; TSA, the local league, consisting of our recreational and scholastic league teams; TSC, our competitive/travel league; and the Bobby Bohn Adult League. Check out Texarkana Soccer Association's website for more details about programs for ages 3-adult!





# Classes

**Texarkana, Texas parks and centers are hosts to a variety of activities and exercise classes. Most indoor classes focus on fitness ranging from low-impact Tai Chi to upbeat Zumba, but other classes, such as music for children, are offered as well.**

**The Parks Department also teams up with community partners that host classes in the parks, like Fit 4 Mom!**

**Check out the online calendar at [TexarkanaTexas.gov](https://www.texarkana-texas.gov) or call the Southwest Center to learn more about these opportunities to learn, get in shape, and meet like-minded people!**





## Southwest Center

- Music Classes
- Pickleball
- Tai Chi
- Tennis & Jr. Tennis
- Volleyball
- Yoga
- Zumba & Youth Zumba



## Collins Senior Center

- Armchair Aerobics
- Dancing
- Jewelry Making
- Quilting/ Knitting/ Crochet
- Walk with Ease



## Parks

- CAST for Kids
- Fit4Mom
- Yoga in the Park
- Zumba in the Park





## Collins Senior Center

Collins Senior Center is located at 3000 Texas Blvd. just south of College Drive. This 2600 sq. ft. building shares a parking lot with Ferguson Park and provides social and recreational activities for Senior Citizens ages 60+. Activities include aerobics, tai chi classes, art classes, bingo, evening socials, line dancing, health/informational classes, quilting, knitting, and driving classes. Lunch is also provided by Texarkana Senior Services at 11:30AM daily for a minimal fee. Facility hours are Monday thru Friday 10:00AM to 4:00PM. For more information, please call the Collins Center at 903.793.5545.

## Southwest Center

Southwest Community Center/Park is located at 3222 West 7th Street. This 20,000 sq. ft. facility features a gymnasium/multi-purpose room, game room, meeting rooms, and kitchen. Meeting rooms can be reserved for individual, groups, or family functions. Weekly recreational activities include volleyball, pickleball, basketball, Yoga, Adult and Youth Tennis, Youth library and game room, and two pool tables.

The Southwest Center also offers seasonal programs and events such as basketball tournaments, poetry sessions, arts and crafts, health fairs and much more. The Park area of the Southwest Center provides four lighted tennis courts, playground equipment, and a multi-purpose open space area. Facility hours are Monday 8:00AM to 6:30PM, Tuesday thru Friday 8:00 AM to 8:00pm and Saturday 9:00AM to 6:00PM. For additional information including rental fees, please call the Southwest Center at 903.798.3978 opt #1.





# FARMERS MARKET





# Keep your friends close and your farmers closer



**The Texarkana Farmers Market is an open-air seasonal market with local vendors. Vendors provide sustainably sourced seasonal produce, as well as organically raised meats. Customers can also find quite an array of homemade kitchen staples that just may be surprising to see at a local market!**

**The market is held at 500 N Stateline Ave, Texarkana, TX in Sheppard Park next to the US Post Office and Courthouse every Saturday from 7 am - 12 pm from the last Saturday in April until the first Saturday in August. The market closes each year with the annual Best Salsa in the Ark-La-Tex competition on the first Saturday in August, which is a huge hit for customers and vendors!**





# Cultural Night Markets

Sheppard Park | 3rd Sat. 5 pm-8pm

On the third Saturday of the month two markets are held; one in the morning, and one in the evening from 5 pm until 8 pm. Each night market hosts a cultural food demonstration aimed to celebrate the vast cultural diversity that makes Texarkana great. Cultural Night markets are held the 3rd Saturday May-July and includes cooking demonstrations highlighting various cultures!

# TXK Market Boxes

Southwest Center | Sept. - Nov.

For those chilly months when the market is at rest, vendors come together and provide that same quality produce in the form of TXK Market Boxes. Each box contains an assortment of fresh foods that can be found at the Summer Market. Similar to a meal kit that can be ordered online, the TXK Market Boxes are portioned by serving and include recipes recommended by the vendors. Follow the Texarkana Farmers Market on Facebook and at [texarkanafarmersmarket.com](http://texarkanafarmersmarket.com) for more details about TXK Market Box availability!



# Pop-Up Markets

Sept. - Nov.

To make the market more convenient, numerous neighborhood pop-up shops are held throughout the fall. For this market on the go, expect to find a market in a neighborhood nearby with produce, baked goods, and meat products from vendors across the Ark-La-Tex. Follow Texarkana Farmers Market on Facebook or at [texarkanafarmersmarket.com](http://texarkanafarmersmarket.com) for more details about when a Pop-Up Market will be hosted!

Christmas Market

Kress Gap

1st Mon. of Dec. 5 pm-7 pm







# TOURS, SUMMERCAMPS & SPECIAL EVENTS







# Tours

The City of Texarkana, Texas has been fortunate to receive grants from Union Pacific and Texas Parks and Wildlife, which have set the groundwork for our staff to provide bicycle and walking tours during the spring and fall.

Bicycle tours are held downtown with three different scripts provided by the Texarkana Museums System. Those scripts include Public Art, Historic Buildings, and the fall favorite, Murder, and Mayhem! These tours are concluded at Pecan Point Brewery and appetizers are provided to participants.

Walking tours take place around the lake at Spring Lake Park. The Walk Through History trail and all historic information signage were provided by Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

Spring Walk Through History Tour

Spring Cycle Through History Tour

Fall Walk Through History Tour

Fall Cycle Through History Tour

Wednesdays May 3-24 10 AM  
Saturday May 13 & 27 10 AM

Fridays May 5-26 6 PM

Wednesdays May 3-24 10 AM  
Saturday May 13 & 27 10 AM

Fridays May 5-26 6 PM





# Summer Camps

**The Texarkana, Texas Parks and Recreation Summer Camp is a 5-week daytime program for students ages 6-12 years old held Monday-Friday from 9 AM to 4 PM.**

**The first part of Summer Camp is June 12 - June 30.**

**There is a break for the week of July 4th, and the Camp picks up again from July 9 - July 21.**

**Enrollment is limited to 25 students, and breakfast and lunch are provided each day by Texarkana Independent School District. Registration begins in May of 2023.**



## Activities during Summer Camp include:

- Kids in the Kitchen
- Electrical Safety
- Learn about the Farmers Market
- Splash Pad
- Fishing
- KTAL Sports Team
- Introduction to Tennis
- Bowling
- Visit the Health Department
- History & Play at Spring Lake Park
- Tree Planting and Education
- Experiential Learning: Biology
- Ovobots
- Experiential Learning: Army National Guard
- Perot Theatre Tour/History
- Regional Arts Center Tour/History
- Public Art Tour
- Leadership Development
- Flying into 4-H
- iJump
- Fire Training Center Tour
- Lake Wright Patman Pump Station Tour
- Disc Golf
- Holiday Spring Water Park





# SPECIAL EVENTS

The Texarkana, Texas Parks are a popular place for various organizations and community partners to host their annual special events. Some of these special events have a long history in the parks, accompanied by many picnics, 5Ks, and other events, the following are some of the Texarkana staples:

- Run The Line 1/2 Marathon
  - Feb. 19
  - Hosted by Partnership for the Pathway
- Fishing Derby
  - Feb. 23 & 24
- Arbor Day
  - Mar. 4
- Scout-A-Rama
  - Apr. 27-30
  - Hosted by the Boy Scouts
- Dragon Boat Races
  - May 13
  - Hosted by Hands On Texarkana
- Twice as Fine Texarkana Wine Festival
  - May 6
  - Hosted by the Texarkana Alzheimer Alliance
- Spring Movies in the Park
  - May 25, June 1 & 8
- Spring Community Yard Sale
  - May 20
- C.A.S.T. for Kids
  - Oct. 7
- Fall Movies in the Park
  - Oct. 12, 19, 26
- Fall Festival
  - Oct. 19
- Fall Community Yard Sale
  - Oct. 21
- Trunk or Treat
  - Oct. 31
- Bark in the Park
  - Nov. 4
- Bramlett Beans and Cornbread
  - Dec. 7
- Christmas on Main
  - Dec. 16







# PAVILION RENTALS

## How to Reserve:

Because of the popularity of the pavilions, reservation requests are on a first come, first served basis. All reservations will be confirmed upon receipt of the \$20 user fee (\$25 fee for ALL DAY use). All payments must be made at the Southwest Center at 3222 W. 7th Street, Texarkana, TX 75501.

Pavilions will be available at the following times:

8 am - 2 pm - \$20

3 pm - 10 pm - \$20

8 am - 10 pm (ALL DAY USE) \$25

Texarkana, Texas Parks & Recreation Department offers 9 pavilions in 6 of the city's parks. To reserve a pavilion or inquire about amenities and availability, please call Eddie Aulds at 903-798-3979.





# CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

The City of Texarkana, Texas has been fortunate to receive grant funding from various organizations and government agencies providing for multiple improvements in parks and facilities.

These exciting new opportunities and developments coming in 2023 have also been matched with wonderful community support. The following projects are in progress currently:

- Days Creek Watershed Restoration
- Grady T. Wallace Soccer Field Light Enhancements
- National Fitness Campaign Fitness Court Installation
- Southwest Center Tennis Court Remodel/Pickleball Court Installation
- Bell Park Walking Trail





# DAYS CREEK WATERSHED RESTORATION

The City of Texarkana, Texas received a grant from Natural Resource Damage Assessment to naturalize and restore Cowhorn Creek, Swampoodle Creek, Wagner Creek, and Days Creek to rehabilitate chemical wash-off and erosion that has persisted for several years. This 9.8 Million dollar grant has spearheaded a 10-project program that will enhance the waterways of Texarkana, Texas for several years to come.

## Goals and Objectives

- Stabilize and naturalize 33,365 linear feet of stream channels
- Restore 32 acres of wetlands
- Preserve 135 acres of forest, and enhancement of 36 acres of forested acres.
- Provide ecological uplift of surface waters and habitats that contribute to Days Creek in immediate to very close proximity to the former Kerr-McGee Chemical Corporation Wood Treating Facility (Tronox LLC) offsetting the resource injuries and ecological service losses that have occurred over time.
- Improve native fish habitat
- Increase riparian habitat
- Promote local community economic revitalization
- Decrease risk and severity of stormwater flooding







# SOCCER FIELD LIGHT IMPROVEMENTS

Grady T. Wallace is home to 17 soccer fields serving multiple age groups. The Texarkana Soccer Association was successful in receiving a \$10,000.00 grant from Musco Sports Lighting to enhance the lighting on those fields.

## Improvements include:

- Poles upsized for future lighting
- 15 footcandles and uniformity
- 8 factory aimed and assembled luminaries
- 2 70' galvanized steel poles for enhanced lighting
- 2 pre-cast concrete bases with integrated lightning grounding
- New wiring harnesses
- Remote electrical component enclosures







# NATIONAL FITNESS CAMPAIGN FITNESS COURT

In 2022 the City of Texarkana, Texas was awarded a grant by the National Fitness Campaign and Blue Cross Blue Shield of Texas in the amount of \$50,000.00 to go toward a Fitness Court in Spring Lake Park. The AEP SWEPCO Foundation graciously provided a matching \$50,000.00 to meet the grant qualifications.

Since this award was received, the dated equipment that was on the east side of Spring Lake Park was removed and replaced with a concrete slab where a new fitness court has been installed. This court will include equipment, as well as QR codes that will lead to a mobile app with free workouts and instructions.







# **SOUTHWEST CENTER TENNIS COURT REMODEL/PICKLEBALL COURT INSTALLATION**

**The Tennis Courts at Southwest Center have been a well-utilized feature of the center for several years. The City of Texarkana, Texas is working with Pro Track and Tennis to resurface the Tennis Courts at the Southwest Center and Texarkana College campus. Two of the tennis courts at each location will be repurposed into 8 Pickleball Courts. With the growth in popularity of Pickleball, this is sure to be a welcome asset to local lovers of the sport!**



# BELL PARK TRAIL

This project was funded by the Housing and Urban Development Community Development Block Grant program as well as the City of Texarkana, Texas Annual Action Plan. This will serve as an approximately 1/4 mile walking trail in this neighborhood park.

Benches and trash receptacles will be installed after construction, which will provide a nice place for visitors and those in the neighborhood to get exercise or enjoy their leisure time in Bell Park.





# FACILITY OVERVIEW

	Baseball/Softball Fields	Basketball Courts	Boat Ramps	Disc Golf	Fishing Docks	Pavilions	Picnic Tables	Playgrounds	Sand Volleyball Courts	Trails	Skate Park	Soccer Fields	Tennis Courts	Fitness Court	Pickleball Courts	Bel Park Trail
Bringle Lake Park West			★		★	★	★	★	★	★						
Bringle Lake Park East					★	★	★	★		★						
Bringle Lake Park Wilderness Area			★							★						
Spring Lake Park	★			★	★	★	★	★		★		★		★		
Grady T. Wallace Park	★	★			★	★	★	★		★		★				
Bell Park			★			★	★	★								★
Beverly Park						★	★	★								
Ferguson Park							★	★								
Sheppard Park																
Kidtopia/ Skateopia								★			★					
Findley Park			★					★								
Scott Joplin Park						★	★	★								
Karrh Park	★					★		★								
Southwest Center		★						★					★		★	

Projects In Progress



